

## **RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

Meeting Report  
April 16, 2008

**PRESENT:** Mayor Reed, Councilmembers Chirco and Cortese

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Constant

**STAFF:** City Attorney Rick Doyle, City Clerk Lee Price, Redevelopment Agency Assistant Director Gary Miskimon, Assistant City Manager Christine Shippey, Agenda Manager Nadine Nader, Mayor Council Agenda Manager Alicia Bosco and Deputy City Clerk Michelle Radcliffe.

### **A. City Council**

#### **1. Review April 22, 2008 Final Agenda**

Action: The Committee approved the following changes and additions to the April 22, 2008 Final Agenda:

- Presentation of proclamation declaring April as “Month of the Young Child” in the City of San José (Chirco)
- Presentation of commendations to Outstanding Childcare Contributor awardees St. Elizabeth’s Day Home and Gay Cava, Director of the San José State Toddler (Chirco)
- Presentation of a proclamation declaring April as “National Volunteers Month” in the City of San José (Mayor/Cortese)
- Presentation of a commendation to SmartUSA (Mayor/Constant/Economic Development)
- Presentation of a commendation the San José Public Library Foundation (Oliverio)
- Presentation of a commendation to the Friends of Los Alamitos Watershed (Pyle)
- Presentation of a commendation to the Coyote Valley Specific Plan Task Force (Williams)
- Add S 340 (Feinstein) and HR 371 (Berman) – The AgJOBS Act of 2007) (City Manager’s Office)

#### **2. Review April 29, 2008 Draft Agenda**

Action: The Committee approved the following changes and additions to the April 29, 2008 Draft Agenda:

- Request for an excused absence for Councilmember Chirco (Chirco)
- Request for an excused absence for Councilmember Constant (Constant)
- Change the Special Eligibility Requirement that one member of the Elections Commission be an Attorney-At-Law (City Clerk)

**B. Redevelopment Agency**

**1. Review April 22, 2008 Final Agenda**

Action: The Committee approved the following changes and additions to the April 22, 2008 Final Agenda:

- Redevelopment Agenda not to be heard before 3:30 p.m.
- Item 2.5 (Discharge of unpaid rents owed to the City by San José Office Supply and Harry Thompson) changed to delete “CET Automotive”

**2. Review April 29, 2008 Draft Agenda**

Action: The Committee approved the following changes and additions to the April 29, 2008 Draft Agenda:

- Redevelopment Agenda not to be heard before 3:30 p.m.

**C. Legislative Update**

**1. State**

- a. Support for Foreclosure Protection Legislation: SB 1137 (Perata) – Residential Mortgage Loans, AB 2586 (Torrico) – Tenant Notification and support for AB 2509 (Galgiani) – Mortgage Guarantee Program, if amended**  
Document Filed: Memorandum from Housing Director Leslye Krutko dated April 10, 2008 recommending that the Council support BS 1137, AB 2586, and AB 2509 if amended.

Action: This item was continued to next week.

- b. SB 1577 (Florez) Air Carrier Airport Surrendered Items Donation Program**  
Document: Memorandum from Airport Director William F. Sherry dated April 10, 2008 recommending opposition to SB 1577 unless amended.

Action: The Committee approved the staff recommendation.

**2. Federal**

- a. Support for Foreclosure Protection Legislation: HR 3221 (Dodd and Shelby)**  
Document Filed: Memorandum from Housing Director Leslye Krutko dated April 10, 2008 recommending a support position on HR 3221 (Dodd and Shelby) with a one-week turn around to Council

Action: The Committee approved the staff recommendation.

**D. Meeting Schedules**

**1. Council Meeting Schedule August – December 2008**

Document Filed: Memorandum from Agenda Manager Nadine Nader dated April 7, 2008 recommending approval of the City Council meeting schedule and Study Session schedule for the period August – December 2008

Action: The Committee approved the schedule.

**2. Add an evening session to the May 13, 2008 Council meeting**

Document Filed: Memorandum from Agenda Manager Nadine Nader dated April 7, 2008 recommending approval of adding an evening meeting to the May 13, 2008 City Council meeting

Action: The Committee approved the addition.

**3. 2008 – 2009 Detailed Budget Schedule**

Document Filed: Information memorandum from Acting Budget Director Jennifer A. Maguire dated April 11, 2008 regarding the 2008-2009 City Budget Calendar and Budget Study Session schedule.

Action: The Committee approved the Budget schedule.

**E. The Public Record**

Document Filed: Memorandum from Lee Price, City Clerk dated April 11, 2008 transmitting the Public Record for the week of April 4 – 10, 2008.

Action: The Committee noted and filed the Public Record.

**F. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees**

There were none.

**G. Rules Committee Reviews, Recommendations and Approvals**

**1. Inclusionary Housing Status Report and Staff Work Assessment to be placed on the Council calendar in May**

Document Filed: Joint memorandum from Mayor Chuck Reed and Councilmember Sam Liccardo dated April 8, 2008 recommending that a status report from staff and consultant work in progress on the proposal for expanding the City's inclusionary housing policy be placed on the Council agenda in May

Action: The Committee approved placing the schedule on the May 20, 2008 agenda

**H. Review of additions to Council Committee Agendas**

- 1. Community and Economic Development Committee**
- 2. Neighborhood Services and Education Committee**

There were none.

**3. Transportation and Environment Committee**

- **Add the following agenda item to the TE Committee workplan for may 5, 2008 regarding plastic carryout bag ban and reduction in single-use bags and disposable takeout food containers**

Document Filed: Memorandum from Environmental Services Director John Stufflebean dated April 3, 2008

Action: The Committee approved the addition to the Transportation and Environment Committee.

**4. Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support Committee**

There were none.

**I. Open Government Initiatives**

- 1. Reed Reforms**
- 2. Sunshine Reform Task Force (SRTF)**
- 3. Significant Public Records Act Requests**
- 4. Council Policy Manual Update**

There were none.

**J. Open Forum**

Mark Trout asked the Committee to consider a Senate Report regarding the Veterans Administration and military personnel.

**K. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

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Mayor Chuck Reed  
Rules and Open Government Committee